

# Pure Bred Dairy Cattle in Tillamook County.

By R. C. Jones, County Agriculturist.

Until recent years very little attention was given in Tillamook County, to the improvement of the dairy cow. The first step came in the introduction of a few pure bred bulls. The Tillamook Cow Testing Association was organized in 1910 and its operation, since that time, has emphasized the difference in individuality of cows and done much to show the value of the registered sire.

With the registered sire and the association records, interest in breeding has been stimulated until, in the past few years, many have become interested in breeding pure breeds. In April, 1914, when my knowledge of the county began, if I mistake not, there were only nine herds of pure breeds here. Wm. Williams, Morrison Mills, T. H. McCormack, and Andy Hess had Jerseys; B. D. Hathaway, Schild Bros., and W. E. Noyes had Holsteins; E. Atkinson, Ayrshires; and R. C. Magarell, Red Polls. Today there are over fifty pure bred herds

in the county, 21 Holstein, 19 Jersey, 11 Guernsey, 1 Ayrshire and 1 Red Poll. Lists of these breeders follow this article and if any have been omitted it is wholly an unintentional oversight.

It is impossible to write here of each one's foundation stock so will only mention, in a general way, something of the breeding of the stock of the various breeds in the county. With the Jersey breeders the blood of such bulls as St. Mawes, Maple Park Chief, Golden Glows Chief and Gamboges Knight have been most prominent in the development of the breed in the county. There are some six or eight bulls of St. Mawes breeding here and all are giving good accounts of themselves. Maple Park Chief, a Hood Farm Bull belonging to Wm. Williams, has stamped all his daughters as large producers. Mr. Williams' herd of thirty cows averaged 325 lbs. fat in the testing association last year and the smallest record was 257 lbs. fat. The blood of the other two bulls has been brought into the county

recently and has not had a chance to prove itself here, but the young stock coming on looks very promising. The Jersey breeders brought in a car of cattle of excellent breeding from the Zorn and McArthur sales this summer.

The Holstein men have been very active in the past three years. In the winter of 1914 they purchased a car of cattle at the Portland sale and last year another car was brought from Wisconsin. The heifers from the bulls bought in the first load will be coming fresh next spring, and from all appearances at this time, it is safe to say they will be a credit to the breed. Years records were what the Holstein men wanted to back their foundation stock and years records they got. Many of the bulls and some of the cows are backed up with records of from 700 to 1200 pounds of butter in a year. It takes time to develop new herds, but the Holstein men have the right kind of blood and the spirit that is going to push their breed to the front. Watch the Holstein men go.

Guernsey cattle have come to the front rapidly in the last few years and are gaining steadily in popularity in this county. One year ago there were no pure bred females here and today there are over thirty distributed in eleven different herds. The Guernsey enthusiasts also had long time records in mind when they went after their foundation as is shown by the backing of some of their animals. May Rose Starlight No. 24803, owned by Jim Williams, is a grandson of Florham Daisy with 747.7 lbs. fat and Lily Ella with 782 lbs. fat, and his sires sister, Dollie Dimple, made 906.8 lbs. fat at a three year old. His seven nearest dams average over 630 lbs. fat in a year. Bulls like this can not help but breed for production. The young bulls brought in from Wisconsin last spring, also combine some of the best blood of the breed.

The Guernsey men have the interest of their breed at heart and believe in letting people know they are awake. They have thirty entries at the County Fair this year and are sending a car load of the best ones to the State Fair at Salem.

Mr. Atkinson, of Sandlake, secured the foundation stock from J. W. Clise of Redmond, Wash. Mr. Clise has one of the most noted herds of Ayrshires in the United States, and Mr. Atkinson reports that he finds the cattle well adapted to conditions in his part of the county.

Mr. Magarell's Red Polls came with him from Iowa, and, while the special purpose dairy breeds are probably better adapted to the strictly dairy farms of this county, we can not help but admire the uniformity of his herd. It is also safe to say that he is doing better with them than are many of our farmers who are still using bulls of nondescript breeding.

**THE TILLAMOOK BRAND** stamps the best cheese in the United States. It is the aim of our breeders to make it stamp the best pure bred dairy cattle in the country as well. With this idea in mind the advocates of our three leading breeds have formed breeder's clubs. The Tillamook Holstein Breeders Association has for its president Chas. Kunze, and for its secretary W. E. Noyes. Joseph Durrer is president of the Guernsey breeders and Homer Mason secretary, while Morrison Mills captains the Jersey club and W. Maxwell keeps the records. The aim of these clubs is to promote the interest of their breeds in the county and to develop them to such an extent that the whole world will be looking for Tillamook quality cattle. All you need to do is to become a member is to use a pure bred bull of that particular breed and to become enthusiastic in seeing the breed go forward. Mr. Dairyman, you should affiliate yourself with one of these organizations and help boost our industry.

Our cheese industry this year, will amount to about \$1,000,000.00. Let's make our sales of cattle equal that in a few years. Some Wisconsin counties sell over a million dollars worth of stock each year and we have better conditions than they do. We are missing our opportunity if we do not push this breeders game. We cannot make this amount of money from scrub stock nor from the best of cattle if we give them scrub care. Some \$30,000.00 has been spent in the past three years in the purchase of foundation stock and now we need the best care in the development of this stock to realize the best returns on our investment. This we will do for we have pure bred breeders backed up by pure bred bankers, breeding pure bred Dairy Cattle, a sure combination.

**Tillamook County Holstein Breeders.**

1. J. H. Hathaway, Tillamook.
2. John Shields, Tillamook.
3. Noyfolk Farm, Tillamook.
4. Chas. Kunze, Tillamook.
5. J. J. Rupp, Tillamook.
6. A. S. Mapes, Tillamook.
7. Gottlieb Hannekrat, Tillamook.
8. Adalph Schildt, Tillamook.
9. Peter Schranz, Tillamook.
10. Nielson Bros., Tillamook.
11. Ebinger & Son, Tillamook.
12. F. R. Beals, Tillamook.
13. L. D. Smith, Tillamook.
14. Fred Klinehan, Tillamook.
15. R. W. Watson, Tillamook.
16. B. L. Beals, Tillamook.
17. A. J. Rogers, Tillamook.
18. Ernest Geinger, Tillamook.
19. Will Robitsch, Bay City.
20. W. Kuppenbender, Nehalem.
21. K. Scovell, Nehalem.

**Jersey Breeders.**

1. Wm. Williams, Tillamook.
2. Morrison Mills, Tillamook.
3. T. H. McCormack, Tillamook.
4. A. Hess, Meda.
5. Ed. Anderson, Henlock.
6. F. D. Bester, Tillamook.
7. W. A. Clark, Tillamook.
8. A. G. Beals, Tillamook.

9. W. S. Hare, Tillamook.
10. Wm. Maxwell, Tillamook.
11. H. A. Springer, Tillamook.
12. Eric Glad, Tillamook.
13. C. W. Tilden, Tillamook.
14. Leonard McCormack, Tillamook.
15. Carl Possetti, Bay City.
16. Albert Johnson, Bay City.
17. Cary & O'Brien, Bay City.
18. W. B. Ford, Bay Ocean.
19. L. S. Miller, Anglersvale.

**Guernsey Breeders.**

1. James Williams, Tillamook.
2. Homer Mason, Tillamook.
3. Joseph Durrer, Tillamook.
4. John Morgan, Tillamook.
5. Berns Bros., Tillamook.
6. Gus Goeres, Tillamook.
7. Jonas Olson, Tillamook.
8. Geo. Williams & Son, Tillamook.
9. Geo. Tinnerstet, Tillamook.
10. W. H. Hoskins, Tillamook.
11. Rudolf Zweifel, Mohler.

**Ayrshire Breeders.**

1. Eugene Atkinson, Sandlake.

**Red Poll Breeders.**

1. R. C. Magarell, Beaver.

**Dairy Cattle at the County Fair.**

This year's dairy cattle show at the County Fair, while not so large in numbers as some years, I believe stands out as the best one ever held in the county. In the first place, the cattle shown were of excellent quality, then too, the owners had taken a little time and pains to fit them up and get them into show shape. Improvements can still be made along this line but so much has been made during the history of our fair that it deserves attention.

The livestock judges, Messrs. Newell, Carmichael and Fitts all spoke of the excellent quality of the stock exhibit. They also commented on the good sportsmanship of the exhibitors. Unfortunately there is only one blue ribbon in each class and someone has to be disappointed. It takes a good sportsman to congratulate the winner with good grace when deep down in his heart he perhaps believes that his cow should have been at the top. The judges gave excellent reasons for their placing and so far as I could hear everyone was pleased with their work.

The grand champion Holstein bull, Mutual Ormsby Prince owned by Noyfolk farm, has been shown at the fair for three years. This is the first year that he has shown championship form. The bull has developed wonderfully since last year and well deserved the honors won. This emphasizes the fact that one should not get discouraged from showing an animal because he is turned down once or twice. A little more maturity together with feed and care often works wonders so come back and give your animals more than the one chance to make good. Six breeders exhibited in Holstein classes, a total of about 40 entries. Exhibitors should study their catalogue a little more closely in making up their show herd so as to fill all the classes possible. Several exhibitors by bringing one more head could have entered in the herd groups and thus have a chance to take home more prize money. The blue ribbons were well scattered among the different exhibitors and the classes were all close enough to make the judging very interesting.

The Guernsey show of thirty head exhibited by eleven breeders was remarkable from the fact that one year ago there was not a pure bred female in the county. Here, as with the Holsteins the ribbons were well scattered among the breeders, the four championships all going to different men. On account of shortage of labor these Guernseys were all assembled at the fair grounds about ten days before the fair and a man put in charge of fitting the herd. As a further step in cooperation the prize money was applied to defray expenses. Had this cooperative movement not been possible there would not have been many Guernseys at the fair as everyone was busy, and, with only a few head, no one thought it would pay to fuss.

The one weak spot in the whole cattle show was the failure of our Jersey friends to make a good showing. This seemed to be due to a combination of circumstances and not to any ill feeling. They should take the lesson from their Guernsey brothers and next year have a good herd at the fair. The idea of the fair is to stimulate better breeding through friendly rivalry, and to advertise the stock and resources of the county. This is also the object of the breeders clubs, so fall in line, Jersey men, and do not hide your good Jersey cows under a bushel next year.

If all hands start now to plan for a good fair next year we will have one that will outdo anything in history.

**AGRICULTURAL NOTES.**

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**A New Industry for Tillamook.**

Tillamook County can well be proud of her three leading industries, namely, cheese, timber and salmon, but she should not go to sleep in self satisfaction and say there is no room for more. I do not believe that she has gone to sleep for the leading men of this county arose to the occasion this summer and made a ship building plant possible.

**Loganberry Industry.**

Another industry is now knocking at our doors to get in and all it needs is a little better understanding to have it gone after with the customary Tillamook enthusiasm that accomplishes what it sets out for. The Pheasant Fruit Juice Company of Salem offers to put a loganberry juice plant in the county provided we will guarantee 300 acres of berries set out next spring and offers to contract the product for 5 years at three and one-half cents per pound.

There never was a more natural berry country than this. Every piece of logged off and burned over land comes up thick with wild berries of all kinds, even the timber itself is full of them. It has been demonstrated by small patches that the loganberry is especially prolific even on our thin, more or less rocky upland soils. Fred Skomp, of Sagrada Bend, on the Trask River, can well be said to be the pioneer loganberry man of the county. On that rocky upland he has about two acres set out that yielded easily 10 tons of berries this year in spite of the dry season. Al Bunn, Bob Richards, and Dad Bays, of Beaver, each have several acres on upland soil, and last year, the second year of bearing for the plants, obtained yields of from 2 1/2 to 3 tons per acre. This year their yields were considerable higher. This county has sufficient moisture so that with clean cultivation and good care a failure of the crop is almost impossible.

**Hundreds of Acres Adapted.**

There are hundreds of acres of

land of this type in the country that would produce far more income from berries than it will from any other crop or from dairy cows. There are hundreds of acres of hill land adjacent to Nehalem, Wheeler, Bay City, Tillamook, Beaver and Cloverdale that are at present non-productive besides all our prairie land that is low in production. The owners of these lands will do well to study this proposition carefully and be ready to come together to discuss it pro and con.

Nearly everyone to whom the subject has been explained becomes enthusiastic over it. With the idea in mind of getting everyone familiar with the possibilities a series of meetings will be held early in October, at which the subject of loganberry growing will be discussed in all its phases. The representative of the Pheasant Company will be present and if possible, the loganberry man from O. A. C. Keep these meetings in

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## GUERNSEYS.



Raymond's Athlone of Walnut Ridge, No 58251, owned by Mrs. W. H. Hoskins, Grand Champion Guernsey female at Tillamook County Fair.



King Noble of C. C. Farms, No. 39715, owned by G. Williams & Son, Junior Champion at Tillamook County Fair. His seven nearest tested dams averaged 695 pounds fat.



May Rose Starlight, No. 24803, owned by James Williams, Grand Champion Bull at Tillamook County Fair. His seven nearest dams averaged over 630 pounds fat in one year.



A Guernsey Calf Herd at Tillamook County Fair that would be a credit to any show.



A Group of Prize Winning Guernseys at the Tillamook County Fair.

## HOLSTEINS.



Canary Fobes May De Kol, No. 330077, 1st Champion and Grand Champion Tillamook County Fair. Two year old heifer owned by R. W. Watson.



Tillamook Easter Piebe Fobes De Kol, No. 209945. Four months old bull owned by R. W. Watson.



Tillamook Hengerveld Vreda, owned by F. R. Beals. 1st prize Holstein Heifer Calf, Tillamook County Fair.



Lady Queen Johanna, No. 332873, owned by F. R. Beals. Junior Champion Holstein Female at Tillamook County Fair. Granddaughter Calantha 4th Johanna with 1,247.8 lb. butter in one year.



King Ormsby Repeater of Tillamook, owned by F. Beals. Junior Champion Holstein Bull, Tillamook County Fair. His five nearest tested dams average 944 lbs butter in a year.